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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

## TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Michael SHARRATT & Henry Richard CLARINGBURN, entitled OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, for a(n):

(X) Original Patent Application.

( ) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):

( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_

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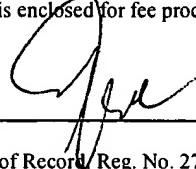
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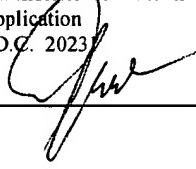
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